

For Council Tenants

The latest information

The tenants housing commitments, published in July 2013, apply to all secure tenants potentially affected by demolition. In brief they are:

- A new home in the scheme on a social rent within the development or in the local area.
- The new property will have no less security of tenure and you will retain your right to buy.
- The new property will be based on your assessed need; that is the size of your family, with any disability adaptations assessed and fully installed prior to your moving in.
- If you have held your tenancy over a year you will be entitled to £5,300 disturbance compensation.
- In addition to the compensation, you will be able to claim reasonable costs associated with moving to your new property, including gas and electrical re-connections.
- And if you are under-occupying your current property you will be able to keep one bedroom over your assessed need although you will be offered incentives to downsize to the correct size property also.

The Housing Needs Survey identified that some Council tenants wanted to move now and not wait for the regeneration scheme. In response the Council has decided to offer all Council tenants affected by demolition who want to move now, or at any point prior to the demolition of their block the following commitments:

- 1 An interview with a council officer from the regeneration team to discuss your specific needs for re-housing.
- 2 A possible move within Wandsworth to a property from existing council stock, or the option of being considered for a property with other registered providers of housing (Housing associations etc).
- 3 If you want to move outside of Wandsworth, a dedicated officer from the Council's moves and mobility team will discuss the options with you and how we might assist you to do this.
- 4 The offered property will be based on your assessed need, that is the size of your family, with any disability adaptations assessed and works carried out as soon as practicable.
- 5 If you have held your tenancy over a year you will be entitled to £5,300 disturbance compensation (statutory compensation set by central government).
- 6 In addition to the compensation, you will be able to claim reasonable costs associated with moving to your new property, including gas and electrical re-connections.
- 7 And if you are under-occupying your current property you will be able to keep one bedroom over your assessed need although you will be offered incentives to downsize.
- 8 If you choose to consider an early move, and we are unable to find you a suitable alternative, you would still be offered a property in the new neighbourhood.

If you would like to explore moving now or before your property is demolished, please contact the Regeneration Team to make an appointment to discuss your options.



For further details see the Winstanley and York Road Council tenants rehousing information booklet (October 2014).